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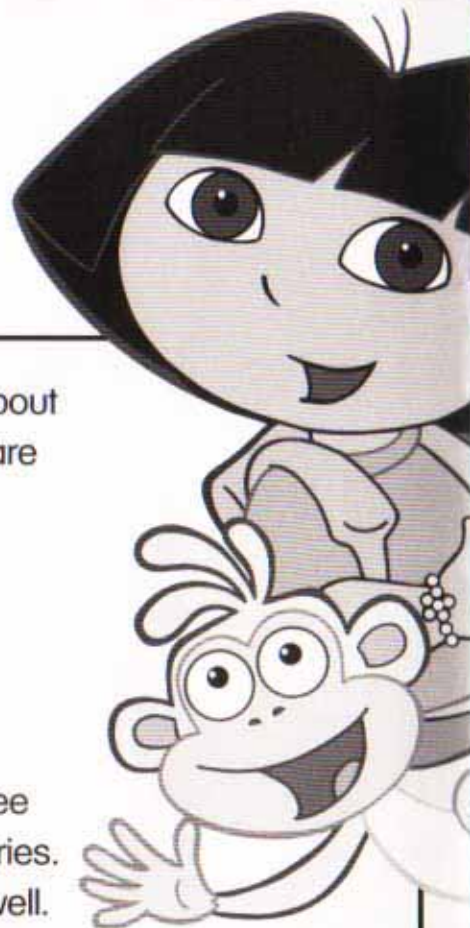
today	away
bay	rain
sail	raise

These are words that you will see in this story and many other stories. You will want to learn them as well.

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These are some more challenging words that you will see in this story.

something	smooth	clouds
behind	sticky	climb



Sail Away



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Do you know where
we are today?
We are on something
that dips and sways
in the waves.
Yeah!
We are on a ship
on the bay!



We are in a sailing
race today.
I am Captain Dora, and
this is Sailor Boots.
Let's raise the mainsail.
Away we go!



What a great day!
There is no rain
and there are
no gray clouds.
There's just the sun and
the spray of the waves.
It will be smooth sailing
all the way!



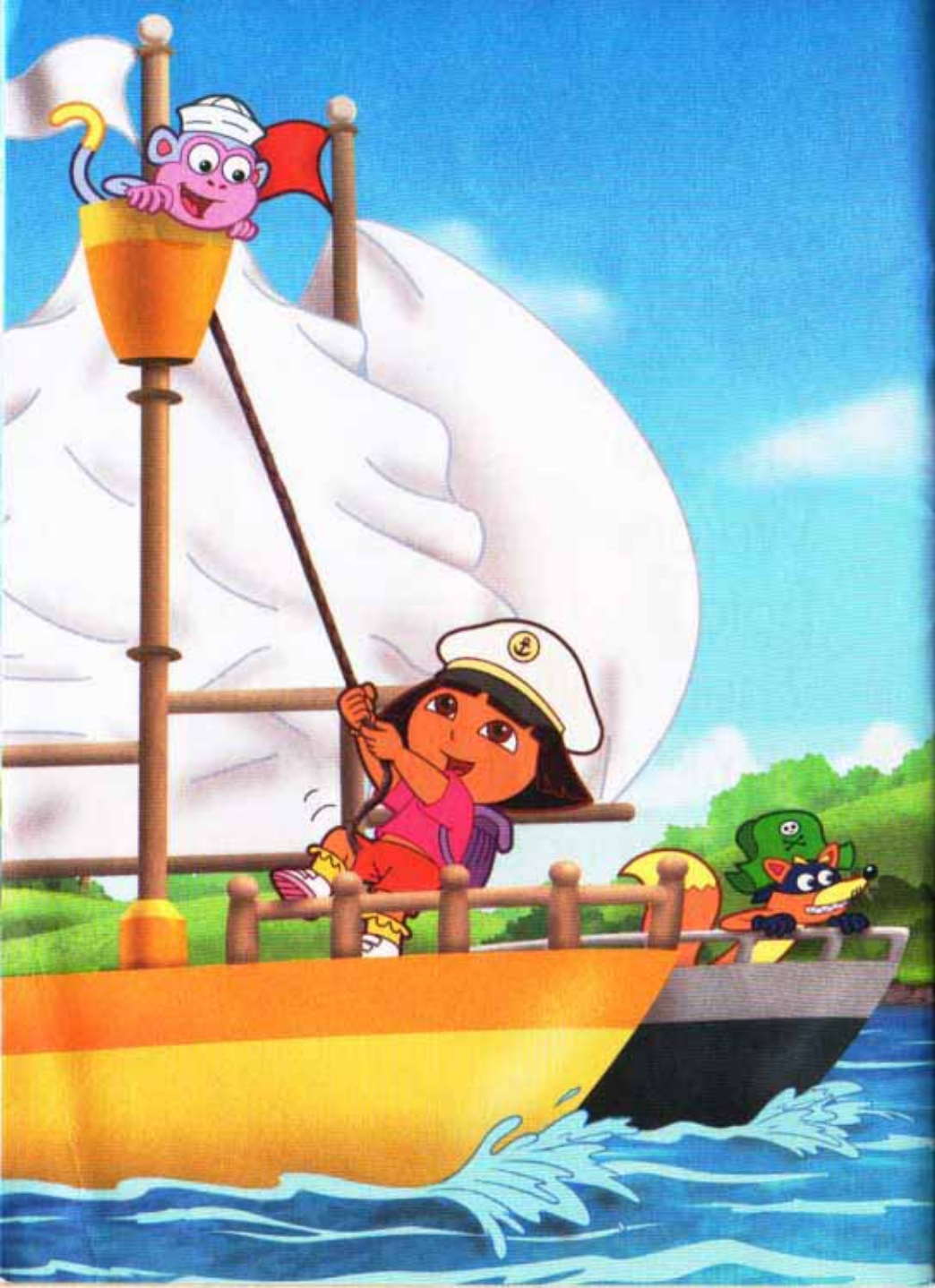
Oh, no!
There's Swiper
behind that sail.
He wants to swipe our sail
so he can win the race.



We were too late!
Swiper swiped our sail
and tossed it away.
Do you see it?
There it is in the bay!
How will we get it back?



I know!
We can use this
pole and some sticky tape!
Then Sailor Boots will
climb the mainmast
to put our sail back up.



Hooray!
He did it!
Now I will raise
the sail back up,
and the wind will
take us away.
We may still win!



We did it!
We won the race!

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Read this story to find out and learn
all about the “ai” and “ay” sounds.



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